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- (Previously Presented) A burner for a heat generator, comprising:

   a swirl generator for a combustion-air flow and means for injecting fuel for producing a main flow;
- a combustion chamber arranged downstream of the swirl generator; and a cavity arranged between the swirl generator and the combustion chamber, in which cavity a secondary flow can be produced that encloses the main flow.
- 2. (Previously Presented) The burner as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cavity has an annular toroidal shape.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The burner as claimed in claim 1, further comprising injection means for fuel and for combustion air arranged in the cavity.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The burner as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a mixing section arranged between the swirl generator and the cavity.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The burner as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a mixing section arranged between the cavity and the combustion chamber.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The burner as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the secondary flow is configured and arranged to be used as a pilot flame.
- 7. (Previously Presented) A pilot burner for the burner of a heat generator, the burner having a swirl generator for a combustion-air flow and means for injecting fuel for producing a main flow, and a combustion chamber being arranged downstream of the burner, the pilot burner comprising:
- a cavity arranged between the swirl generator and the combustion chamber and in which a secondary flow can be produced.

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- 8. (Previously Presented) The pilot burner as claimed in claim 7, wherein the cavity has an annular toroidal shape.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The pilot burner as claimed in claim 7, further comprising injection means for fuel and for combustion air arranged in the cavity.